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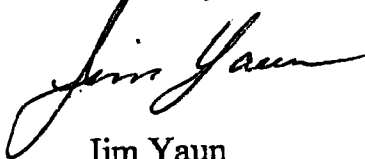
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I understand the Department of Justice is accepting and publishing public comments for the first time since the antitrust suit was brought against Microsoft more than three years ago. Here is my two cents worth.

First, Microsoft has been more than cooperative in resolving this matter. Not only did they agree to document and disclose various internal interfaces to the Windows' operating system for use by its competitors. This is above and beyond what is required in any antitrust settlement. They have also agreed to license products from their Windows operating system to the 20 largest computer makers on identical terms and conditions, which includes price. This settlement is harsh on Microsoft and constitutes a viable end to the lawsuit, no matter what some critics say.

Finally, this litigation business has got to stop. It's sapping the economy. No more action should be taken at the federal level.

Sincerely,



Jim Yaun